

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT:

This report pertains to an investigation of the identification of the burial location, or headstone markings, of a member of the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) during the Great War 1914-1921.

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Reason for Submission: ("X" means purpose of the report)

Casualty Identification:		Burial Information:	
Confirmed Identity	X	Burial Location Identified	X
Most Probable Identity		Grave Stone Correction	X
Questionable Identity		Grave Records Correction	X
Incorrect Identity		Request for CWGC Details	
Other		Other	

Supporting Documents: (# refers to attachment number; "I" information provided)

Casualty Identification:		Burial Information:	
Dion, Cyris	i	Bouchoir New British Cemetery	link
42 nd Battalion, R. H. O. C.	i	Somme, France	i
Lance Corporal #794262	i	Plot 5 Row B Grave 13	i
Date of Death 12-8-1918	link	Exhumation 30-1-1920	i
Attestation Papers	link	Cemetery Schematic	link
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War Diary Extract(s)	8a,b		

Summary of Findings:

The Graves Registration Report form for Plot 5 Row B Grave 13 of the Bouchoir New British Cemetery lists an Unknown Lance Corporal "R. H. of Canada", which we know to be the Royal Highlanders of Canada (13th, 42nd or 73rd Canadian Infantry Battalions).

A detailed review of the records provides conclusive evidence that the remains are those of Lance Corporal Cyris Dion #794262 of the 42nd Canadian Infantry Battalion, Royal Highlanders of Canada. Two other candidates, one each of the 13th and 42nd Battalions, were never in the area where the remains were recovered.

Details of Findings:

The findings are conclusive that the remains in Plot 5 Row B Grave 13 of the Bouchoir New British Cemetery are those of [Lance Corporal Cyris Dion #794262](#) of the 42nd Canadian Infantry Battalion, Royal Highlanders of Canada.

The findings are based on the following:

1. The *Graves Registration Report* (GRRF) for Plot 5 Row B Grave 13 of the Bouchoir New British Cemetery provides details on the rank and regimental affiliation as “R. H. of Canada Unknown British Soldier L/Cpl.” (*Attachment #1*). We know that there were three (3) Canadian Battalions that were designated “Royal Highlanders of Canada”, which were the 13th, 42nd and 73rd Battalions. The 13th and 42nd Battalions served in the Great War, from February 1915 and February 1916 respectively, until the Armistice. The 73rd Battalion was withdrawn from service in April 1917, after devastating losses at Vimy Ridge.
2. The *Concentrations of Graves – Burial Return* (COG-BR) provides further information, indicating that the remains were identified by numerals and stripe and that the remains were recovered at TMC **66e.L.16.a.5.2** (*Attachment #2*). There was no date of death recorded on the COG-BR, however the location of the remains allows us to establish the date of death. The only time that Canadian Infantry Battalions were in action in the area, where the remains were recovered, was between 8 August 1918 and 20 August 1918, during the Battle of Amiens.
3. A list of *Possible Candidates* was prepared from the information contained in the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) database (*Attachment #3*). This resulted in only three (3) Lance Corporal candidates:
 - i. [Arthur George Rice #145687](#), 13th Infantry Battalion 8 August 1918
 - ii. [Bertram John Izzard #192798](#), 42nd Infantry Battalion 8 August 1918
 - iii. [Cyris Dion #794262](#), 42nd Infantry Battalion 12 August 1918
4. To complete the analysis of candidates we examined the records of all other missing Lance Corporals of the 13th and 42nd infantry Battalions, Royal Highlanders (*Attachment #4*). All of these candidates are excluded.

There were a total of nine (9) Lance Corporals of the 13th Battalion with no known grave in France ([CWGC Link](#)). Six (6) were lost at Courcellette in 1916 and two (2) at Arras (Vimy Ridge) in 1917.

Nine (9) Lance Corporals of the 42nd Battalion were also reported missing, four (4) in 1916 at Courcellette, two (2) at Vimy Ridge in 1917, and the last in September 1918, long after the battalion had left the Amiens battlefield ([CWGC Link](#)). Additional details on the September 1918 casualty are provided below.

5. The *Circumstance of Death* files were examined for each of the candidates to determine if they were in the area where the remains were recovered when they paid the ultimate sacrifice (*Attachment #5a,b*). Extracts from these files show the positions relative to the remains recovered in sector **66e.L.16**:
 - i. Lance Corporal Rice – Previously reported missing, believed wounded, now killed in action. He was attached to the 4th Tank Battalion, 4th Tank Brigade, as an observer during the attack southeast of Hangard Wood (**62d.U17**). His body was recovered and buried but the location is unknown.
 - ii. Lance Corporal Izzard – Killed in action near Domart (**62d.U.27**) by enemy machine gun fire during the attack on enemy positions north of Beaucourt-en-Santerre (**66e.D.22**). There was no record of burial.
 - iii. Lance Corporal Dion – Killed in action by enemy machine gun fire while taking part in military operations at Parvillers (**66e.L.29**).

To confirm that Lance Corporal Adair #192428 (Cambrai – September 1918) was not a candidate, we checked his file and found that he was instantly killed by machine gun fire in the attack on a lumber yard near Cambrai. That places him more than 36 miles northeast of where the remains were recovered. There had been a possibility that he had been wounded or taken prisoner during the Battle of Amiens and died in the following weeks, having not left the area.

6. An *Area Map* ([Nicholson Map 11](#)) is provided to mark the general location of the remains on the Amiens battlefield (*Attachment #6*). The area map is marked to show where the battalions were located at the different times, which match the areas where the Lance Corporals were reported to have been at their time of death. The 13th Battalion was in the 3rd Infantry Brigade, 1st Canadian Division, which is marked in the upper left corner of the map as they moved through Hangard Wood (*note the east-west reference is reversed in error on the map*). This places Lance Corporal Rice well away from the area where the remains were recovered. The 42nd Battalion was in the 7th Infantry Brigade, 3rd Canadian Division, which was moving southeast towards Roye from Amiens, on the north side of the main road. The battalion is shown to be in the vicinity of Hill 102, to the northwest of Beaucourt-en-Santerre, when Lance Corporal Izzard was killed. This is still some distance away from where the remains were recovered. Four (4) days later, the 42nd Battalion had moved towards Le Quesnoy, swinging north around Parvillers towards Fouquescourt. It is here where Lance Corporal Dion paid the ultimate sacrifice, in the immediate area where the remains were recovered.
7. An extract of a period *Trench Map* has been marked to show the area where the men were when they fell (*Attachment #7*). The area where Lance Corporal Rice was when killed is off this particular map, as depicted by the arrow in the upper left corner (north of the letter “C”). Lance Corporal Izzard was killed while moving in a southeast direction from an area not on this map, to the area with the circle

near Beaucourt-en-Santerre (near the letter “D”). The only Lance Corporal killed in the area where the remains were found (near the letter “L”) was Lance Corporal Dion, who was more than 1,200 yards to the southeast of where Lance Corporal Izzard was killed. That death occurred four (4) days after the other Royal Highlander Lance Corporals were killed. This analysis of the time and distance separation leaves no doubt that the remains of the Royal Highlander Lance Corporal are those of Cyris Dion #794262 of the 42nd Infantry Battalion.

8. The *War Diary* (WD) entries for the 42nd Canadian Infantry Battalion provides confirmation of the information illustrated by the maps (*Attachment #8*). Here it is reported in the daily entry for 12 August 1918, that the Commanding Officer decided to capture the Parvillers trench system. Further details on the operation were provided in Appendix 2 of the war diary, where it tells that the 42nd Battalion took over the area between the Rouvroy-Parvillers road and the Rouvroy-Fouquescourt road. The centroid of that triangle is sector **66e.L.16**, where the remains of the Lance Corporal were recovered.
9. The *War Graves Register* (E-13) for Lance Corporal Dion tells us that his remains were never knowingly recovered and thus his name is inscribed on the Vimy Memorial (*Attachment #9*). His name can now be added to the headstone on Plot 5 Row B Grave 13 at the Bouchoir New British Cemetery and be stricken from the Vimy Memorial.
10. The CWGC *Headstone Schedule* (HD-SCHD) states that the remains at that location are for an Unknown Canadian Lance Corporal (*Attachment #10*). There is no apparent reference to the affiliation with the Royal Highlanders of Canada, as they would not have known at the time whether it was the 13th or 42nd Battalion. This information only becomes available after a thorough analysis of the location of each unit at the time of death of each Lance Corporal. We do not currently have a photograph of the headstone so we do not know if any additional information was inscribed.

Action Required:

The “Investigative Report” has been prepared in accordance with the procedures and criteria set out by the CWGC, should they wish to make any changes to the commemoration details (*Attachment #11*).

The evidence leaves no question as to the unit affiliation, date of death and name of the individual that was concentrated into Plot 5 Row B Grave 13 at the Bouchoir New British Cemetery. The headstone and corresponding records should be changed to reflect the results of this investigation.

ATTACHMENT #1

Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Graves Registration Report Form.

<http://archive.cloud.cwgc.org/archive/doc/doc1973149.JPG>

2nd Region Serial
No. 776.

COMPREHENSIVE REPORT. Army Form W. 3372.

GRAVES REGISTRATION REPORT FORM.

Commune:- BOUCHOIR.
Dept:- SOMME.

REPORT No. 2. SCHEDULE No. 420.
This report cancels all previous reports.

NEW
PLACE OF BURIAL BOUCHOIR BRITISH CEMETERY.

Map Reference 1/40,000. 66E. K 36. b. 8. 9.

The following are buried here:- Graves read from Left to Right.

Regiment	No.	Name	Rank and Initials	Date of Death	Cross Erected or G. R. U'd.	Plot, Row and Grave
		PLOT 5. ROW B.				Grave No.
R.H. of Canada.		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER	L/Opl.	-	E.	13. ✓
K.O.Y.L.I.	24499.	OSBORNE	Pte G.	(3/27/18)	E.	14. ✓
2/ K.O.Y.L.I.	235282.	RINKLESTEIN	Pte E.	11-8-18	E.	15. ✓
do.		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER.	-	-	E.	16. ✓
5/ Border Regt.	23001.	MITCHELL	Opl R.	10-10-18	E.	17. ✓
K.O.Y.L.I.		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER.	-	-	E.	18. ✓
-		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER.	-	-	E.	19. ✓
-		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER.	-	-	E.	20. ✓
-		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER.	-	-	E.	21. ✓
3rd Canadian D.A.C.	334482.	ROBINSON	Dvr L.E.	10-8-18.	E.	22. ✓
do. do. do.	302324.	GLEGHORN	Dvr J.	do.	E.	23. ✓
Bedford Regt.		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER	Signaller.	-	E.	24. ✓

C.

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A.C. 30-3-21.

28 JAN 1921

(6 31 5) W3160-P2723 100,000 9/19 HWV(P1024) Forms/W3372/3

ATTACHMENT #2

Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Concentration of Graves (Exhumations and Reburials) Burial Return. <http://archive.cloud.cwgc.org/archive/doc/doc2253146.JPG>

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Plot	Row	Grave	Approximate map reference where body found	Has cross found on grave	Particulars on cross found on grave	Particulars found on body	Means of Identification
5	B	12	66E K16 A52	No E	(a) NIL (b) 14TH BATTN CANADIANS	(a) NIL (b) BUTTONS	BADGE
5	B	13	66E K16 A52	No E	(a) NIL (b) 14TH BATTN CANADIANS	(a) NIL (b) NUMERALS	STRIPE

G.R. SQUAD 36
ALLY-SUP-NOTE
No 30-1-20

ATTACHMENT #3

Commonwealth War Graves Commission – Find War Dead

[13th Battalion Canadian Infantry Lance Corporals, Battle of Amiens 8 – 20 August 1918, Vimy Memorial](#)

You searched for: Regiment: canadian infantry X Cemetery Or Memorial: vimy memorial X EDIT SEARCH

Unit: 13th bn. X Rank: lance corporal X Date From: 08-08-1918 X Date To: 20-08-1918 X

[Start a new search](#)

Showing 1 record(s) sorted by Relevance

[Download results](#)

Refine results

War

☐ First World War (1)

Served with

☐ Canadian (1)

Last name Rank Service Number	First names or initials	Date of death Age Cemetery/memorial Grave Reference/Panel Number	Regiment Country of service
RICE Lance Corporal 145687	ARTHUR GEORGE	Thursday, August 8, 1918 Age 27 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian

Commonwealth War Graves Commission – Find War Dead

[42nd Battalion Canadian Infantry Lance Corporals, Battle of Amiens 8 – 20 August 1918, Vimy Memorial](#)

You searched for: Regiment: canadian infantry X Cemetery Or Memorial: vimy memorial X EDIT SEARCH

Unit: 42nd bn. X Rank: lance corporal X Date From: 08-08-1918 X Date To: 20-08-1918 X

[Start a new search](#)

Showing 2 record(s) sorted by Relevance

[Download results](#)

Refine results

War

☐ First World War (2)

Served with

☐ Canadian (2)

Served in

Last name Rank Service Number	First names or initials	Date of death Age Cemetery/memorial Grave Reference/Panel Number	Regiment Country of service
DION Lance Corporal 794262	CYRIS	Monday, August 12, 1918 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian
IZZARD Lance Corporal 192798	BERTRAM JOHN	Thursday, August 8, 1918 Age 25 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian

ATTACHMENT #4a

Commonwealth War Graves Commission – Find War Dead

[13th Battalion Canadian Infantry Lance Corporals, The Great War 1916-1918, Vimy Memorial](#)

You searched for: Regiment: canadian infantry X Cemetery Or Memorial: vimy memorial X Unit: 42nd bn. X Rank: lance corporal X EDIT SEARCH

[Start a new search](#)

Showing 9 record(s) sorted by

Relevance

[Download results](#)

Refine results

War

☐ First World War (9)

Served with

☐ Canadian (9)

Served in

☐ Army (9)

Country

☐ France (9)

Cemetery or memorial

☐ VIMY MEMORIAL (9)

Last name Rank Service Number	First names or initials	Date of death Age Cemetery/Memorial Grave Reference/Panel Number	Regiment Country of service	
NEASMITH Lance Corporal 418319	NEIL BEATON	Friday, October 6, 1916 Age 38 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian	>
MILLS Lance Corporal 440395	WILLIAM JOHN	Saturday, October 7, 1916 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian	>
SCRYMGEOUR Lance Corporal 426573	JAMES WATSON	Friday, September 15, 1916 Age 24 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian	>
TEW Lance Corporal 418924	THOMAS	Saturday, September 16, 1916 Age 32 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian	>
IZZARD Lance Corporal 192798	BERTRAM JOHN	Thursday, August 8, 1918 Age 25 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian	>
WESTCOTT Lance Corporal 419002	FREDERICK GILBERT	Monday, April 9, 1917 Age 23 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian	>
DION Lance Corporal 794262	CYRIS	Monday, August 12, 1918 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian	>
COOPER Lance Corporal 192472	HERBERT ARTHUR	Monday, April 9, 1917 Age 36 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian	>
ADAIR Lance Corporal 192428	JOHN	Sunday, September 29, 1918 VIMY MEMORIAL	Canadian Infantry Canadian	>

ATTACHMENT #4b

Commonwealth War Graves Commission – Find War Dead

[42nd Battalion Canadian Infantry Lance Corporals, The Great War 1916-1918, Vimy Memorial](#)

You searched for:

[Start a new search](#)

Showing 9 record(s) sorted by

[Download results](#)

Refine results

War

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☐ Canadian (9)

Served in

☐ Army (9)

Country

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Cemetery or memorial

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ATTACHMENT #5a

Ancestry.com. Canada, War Graves Registers (Circumstances of Casualty), 1914-1948 [[database on-line](#)]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2010. Original data: [War Graves Registry: Circumstances of Death Records](#). Record Group 150, 1992-1993/314, Boxes 145-238. Library and Archives Canada. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. War Graves Ledger Books. RG 150, 1992-93/314, vols. 239-302. Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

1. NO. 145687.	2. RANK OR RATING Lance Corporal	3. SURNAME RICE	4. CHRISTIAN NAMES Arthur George,
5. UNIT OR SHIP 13th Battalion.	6. DATE OF CASUALTY 8.8.18.	7. H.Q. FILE NO. 649-R-7567.	8. RELIGION Not Stated.
9. CIRCUMSTANCES OF CASUALTY <p>"Previously reported Missing, believed Wounded, now Killed in Action".</p> <p>He was attached to the 4th Tank Battalion, 4th Tank Brigade as observer during the attack South East of HANGARD WOOD. Shortly after the commencement of the attack the tank in which he was riding was seen to be in flames, and later his body, badly burned, was found and buried.</p>		10. NAME, RELATIONSHIP AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	
11. LOCATION OF UNIT AT TIME OF CASUALTY			
NOTE—Items 12, 13 and 14 are not to be completed until grave is permanently located.			
12. CEMETERY <i>Ypres</i>	13. LOCATION OF CEMETERY	14. GRAVE LOCATION Grave..... Plot..... Row.....	15. REGISTERED NO. OF GRAVE
16. PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE TAKEN	17. EXPOSURE NO.	18. PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE AND CEMETERY SUPPLIED TO	
19. FURTHER PARTICULARS ON REVERSE SIDE OF SHEET.			

1. NO. 192798	2. RANK OR RATING Lance Corporal	3. SURNAME IZZARD	4. CHRISTIAN NAMES Bertram John
5. UNIT OR SHIP 42nd Battalion	6. DATE OF CASUALTY 8-8-18	7. H.Q. FILE NO. 649-J-2179	8. RELIGION Church of England
9. CIRCUMSTANCES OF CASUALTY <p>"Killed in Action"</p> <p>He was killed near Domart by enemy machine gun fire on the morning of August 8th 1918, while with his Company advancing to attack enemy positions North of Beaucourt-en-Santerre.</p>		10. NAME, RELATIONSHIP AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	
11. LOCATION OF UNIT AT TIME OF CASUALTY			
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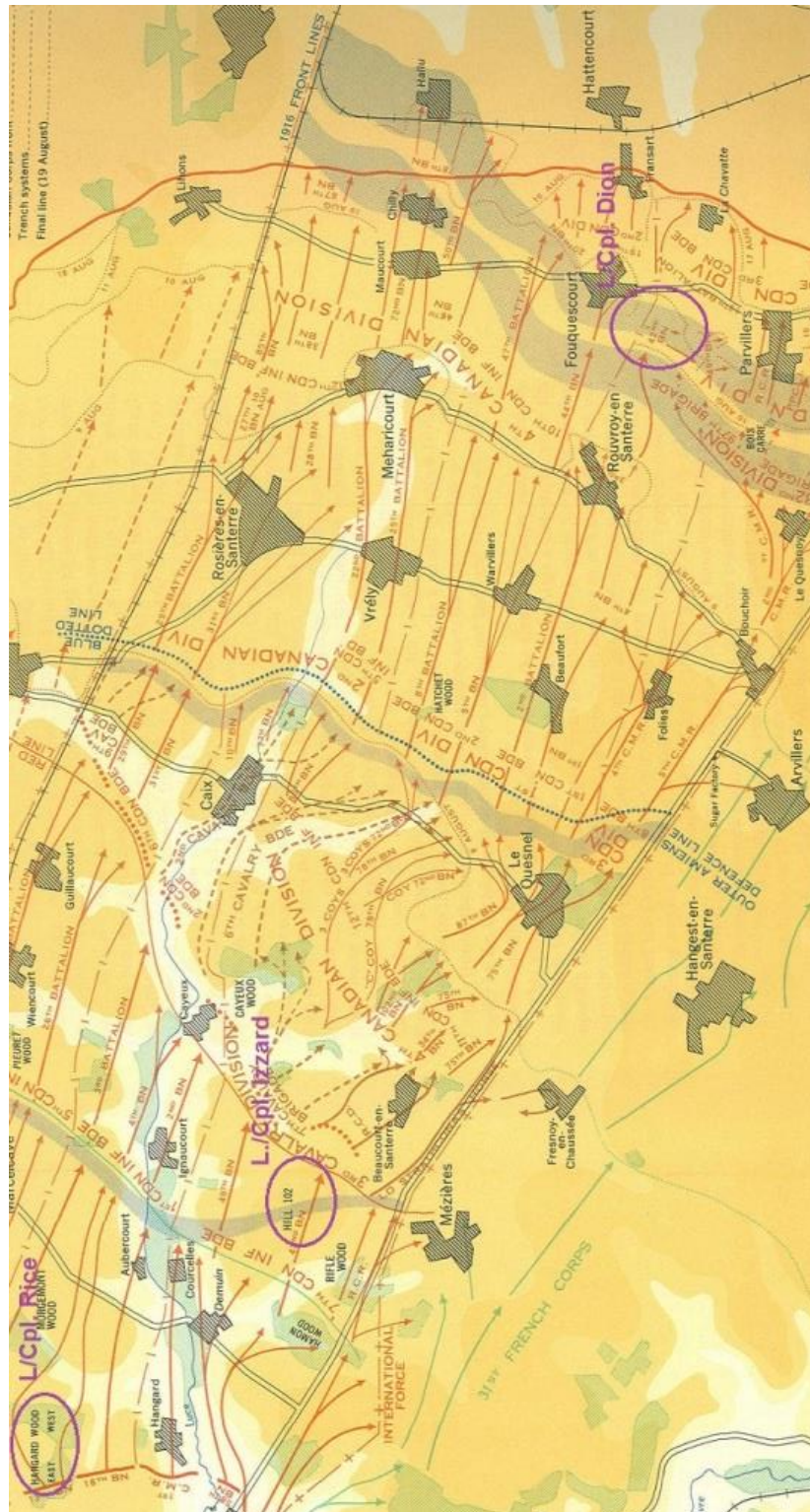
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1. NO.	2. RANK OR RATING	3. SURNAME	4. CHRISTIAN NAMES
794262	Lance Corporal	DION	Cyril
5. UNIT OR SHIP	6. DATE OF CASUALTY	7. H.Q. FILE NO.	8. RELIGION
42nd Battalion	12-8-18	649-D-8371	Roman Catholic
9. CIRCUMSTANCES OF CASUALTY		10. NAME, RELATIONSHIP AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	
<p>"Killed in Action"</p> <p>While taking part in military operations at Parvillers, Amiens Front on August 12th 1918, he was killed by enemy machine gun fire.</p>			
11. LOCATION OF UNIT AT TIME OF CASUALTY			
NOTE:--Items 12, 13 and 14 are not to be completed until grave is permanently located.			
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19. FURTHER PARTICULARS ON REVERSE SIDE OF SHEET.			

1. NO.	2. RANK OR RATING	3. SURNAME	4. CHRISTIAN NAMES
192428	L/Cpl.	ADAIR,	John
5. UNIT OR SHIP	6. DATE OF CASUALTY	7. H.Q. FILE NO.	8. RELIGION
42nd Battalion, (Q.R.)	29-9-18.	649-A-3907	Presbyterian
9. CIRCUMSTANCES OF CASUALTY		10. NAME, RELATIONSHIP AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	
<p>This soldier was instantly killed by enemy machine gun fire in the attack on Lumber Yard, Cambrai-Douai Rd. on the morning of the 29th September 1918.</p>			
11. LOCATION OF UNIT AT TIME OF CASUALTY			
NOTE:--Items 12, 13 and 14 are not to be completed until grave is permanently located.			
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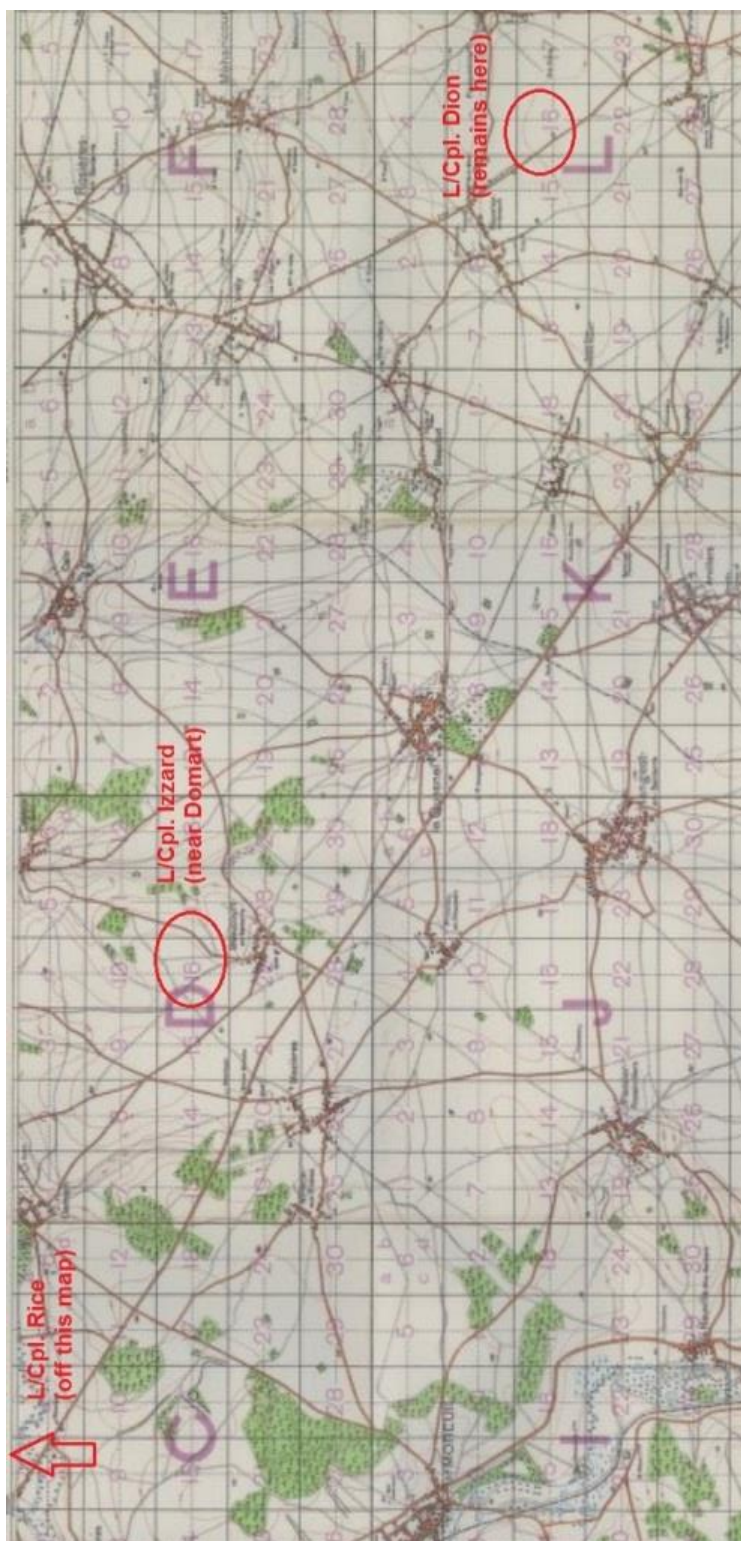
ATTACHMENT #6

Official History of the Canadian Army in the First World War. Canadian Expeditionary Force 1914-1919. Col. G. W. L. Nicholson. Queens Printer and Controller of Stationary. Ottawa Canada 1962. (Nicholson [Matrix Utility Digital Source](#) by the Canadian Expeditionary Force Study Group).



ATTACHMENT #7

McMaster University Lloyd Reeds Map Collection [\[Montdidier\] 662 396WW1MAP](#)



ATTACHMENT #8a

Library and Archives Canada: War Diaries of the First World War. Available as (1) ArchivaNet: On-Line Research Tool, or (2) [War Diaries of the First World War](http://data2.collectionscanada.ca/e/e045/e001110160.jpg).

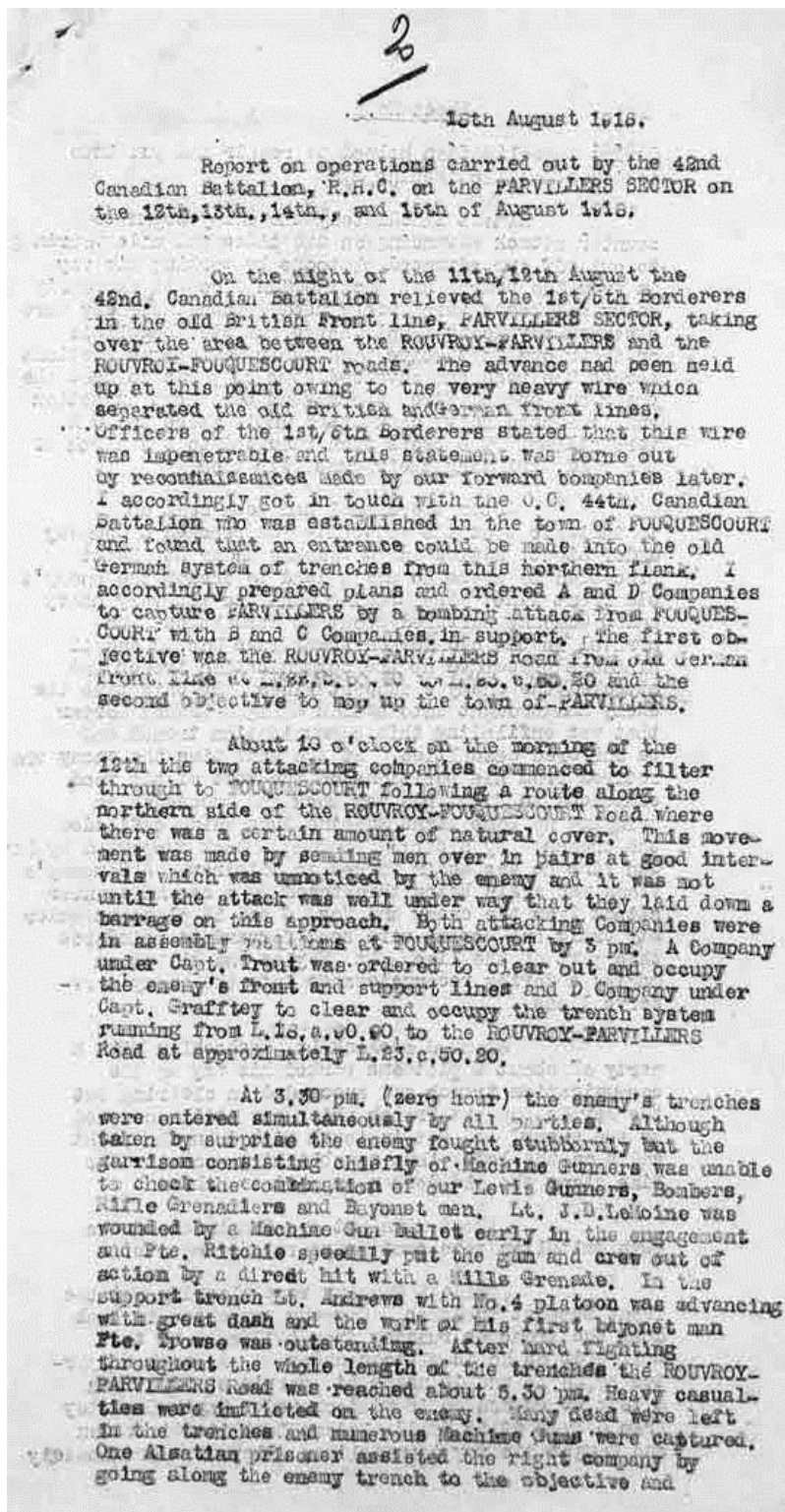
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WAR DIARY		Army Form C. 2118.	
42nd. Canadian Battalion, R.E.F.		Sheet 8	
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.			
(From handling not required)			
Summary of Events and Information			
Date	Hour	Text	
1918			
AUGUST			
	12TH	<p>were to go and several false starts were made before the light routes to the front line were located. To be on the safe side, the village was intermittently at this time with 8" guns and Major Ewing had a very narrow escape while on his way to Headquarters with the Commanding Officer of the 1st/5th Border Regiment. A shell exploded at the edge of the road, less than 15 feet from where he was walking. The Commanding Officer of the Border Regiment, who was beside him, had one arm blown away and was mortally wounded in the side. He was immediately attended by Captain W. H. H. M.C., Medical Officer of the 42nd. Can. Battalion, but died within an hour. Major Ewing, by a stroke of great good fortune, escaped unhurt.</p> <p>The relief was reported complete at 4.25pm. on August 12th.</p> <p>The Battalion had come into the line with instructions from Brigade to maintain a steady pressure against the enemy who was believed to be fighting a rearward action, and immediately following completion of relief all information relating to the front was carefully considered. The line occupied by us was the old British front line held in this sector before the German offensive, and consisted of a net work of old trenches overgrown with grass and weeds. The enemy occupied the old German system containing numerous concrete dugouts. It was heavily wired and we were informed by the Officer of the 32nd. Imperial Division which had been held up by it on the day before after suffering very severe casualties, that this was impenetrable. In between the two positions was a strip of No-man's-land which averaged from 150 to 300 yards wide. A frontal attack on this position entailed not only crossing our own wire which was quite strong but also the heavy enemy entanglements. The only weak point in the German defence lay on the North flank where our 4th Division had been able to push on through the village of ROQUESOURT. The Commanding Officer at once decided to capture PARVILLERS Trench System by a bounding attack from this flank. He stated a brief Operation Order to the Adjutant and instructed Major C. R. Dyer, M.C., Acting 21/4 to deliver copies to the Companies, make a reconnaissance of the position, and arrange any further necessary details for the attack. Meanwhile Major Ewing went to Brigade H.Q. to arrange for Artillery support and to explain the Operation to Brig. Gen. Dyer. He also wished to arrange for co-operation on the right of the ROYAL L-PARTILLERS Road by the P.P. CLIX who were holding the line on the right of the 1st/5th. He was successful in arranging for this co-operation after which he returned to Battalion Headquarters.</p> <p>The nature of the Operation was explained to the Companies and it was only at the greatest risk on the day that they were able to capture the position and it</p>	

ATTACHMENT #8b

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ATTACHMENT #9

Ancestry.com. Canada, CEF Commonwealth War Graves Registers, 1914-1919 [database on-line].
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Form E. 13
 1897 6m. 21/5/18 D. 262

Reg. No. 794262 Rank L/Cpl. Name DION, C. 649-D-8371 File No. R.L. 25-D-2804

Unit 42nd Battn. (Quebec Regt.)

Date of Casualty	Nature and Place of Casualty	Next-of-Kin
12/18-8-18. 12.8.18	Killed in Action. (A 307.)	
Published on D.C.L.		
No. A.300		
Date 23-8-18.		

Unconfirmed Burial Report	Grave No.	Authority	Report of Circumstances of Casualty	
<div style="text-align: center;"> VIMY MEMORIAL </div>			Received from Unit	Forwarded
			Date 14.1.19	Ottawa 17.5.19
			Next-of-Kin	
			Written For	A.A.G. Written
			Date	Date
Confirmed Burial Report	Grave No.	Authority	Burial Report Advised to Ottawa and Next-of-Kin	
			Ottawa	
			Next-of-Kin	
Revised Burial Report	Grave No.	Authority	Revised Report Advised to Ottawa and Next-of-Kin	
			Ottawa	
			Next-of-Kin	

ATTACHMENT #10

Commonwealth War Graves Commission. *Comprehensive Report of Headstone Inscriptions.*

<https://archive.cloud.cwgc.org/archive/doc/doc2076836.JPG>

No. of Contract.....dated.....		Imperial War Graves Commission.				Schedule "A" Page.....31		
Name and Address of Firm.		COMPREHENSIVE REPORT (A) OF HEADSTONE INSCRIPTIONS				Name of Cemetery.		
		to this report is attached				BOUCHOIR NEW B.C.		
		COMPREHENSIVE REPORT (B) HEADSTONE TEXTS				To be stencilled on foot of headstones below ground level abbreviated thus:—		
		(those headstones to be inscribed with texts are underlined)				BOUCH.N.B.C.		
		and						
		TWO STANDARD LAYOUTS (the layouts to be used are quoted on the badge design).						
Badge Design No. and Layout No.	1st Line.	2nd Line.	3rd Line.	4th Line.		Centre of Stone.	To be stencilled on foot of Headstones below ground level.	
	Number and Rank.	Initials, NAME and Honours.	Regiment.	Date of Death.	Age.	Relig. Emb.	Plot P. Row R. Grave G.	No. of Stone.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1092/10	UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 10	451
1202/10	UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 11	452
1202/10	UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 12	453
1202/10	UNKNOWN CANADIAN LANCE CPL.		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 13	454
LAYOUT 1H	UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 14	455
1071/1A	235282 PRIVATE	E. FINKLESTEIN	KING'S OWN YORKSHIRE L.I.	11TH AUGUST 1918	NONE	CROSS	5 B 15	456
1071/10	UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 16	457
1009/1A	23001 CORPORAL	R. MITCHELL	BORDER REGIMENT	10TH OCTOBER 1918	NONE	CROSS	5 B 17	458
1071/10	UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 18	459
LAYOUT 1H	UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 19	460
LAYOUT 1H	UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 20	461
LAYOUT 1H	UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 21	462
1202/1A	334482 GUNNER	L.B. ROBINSON	CANADIAN FIELD ARTILLERY	10TH AUGUST 1918	NONE	CROSS	5 B 22	463
1202/1A	302324 DRIVER	J. CLEGHORN	CANADIAN FIELD ARTILLERY	10TH AUGUST 1918	NONE	CROSS	5 B 23	464
1007/10	UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC.ETC.SEE SCHED.G/H.)				5 B 24	465

ATTACHMENT #11

This “*Reporting and Review*” attachment is provided to assist all parties in the submission of an investigative report related to the identification of the burial location, or headstone markings, of a member of the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) during the Great War 1914-1921. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) receives a copy of this report in the event they wish to make changes to the commemoration details. In order to alter the records, the CWGC has set out their criteria for the procedure and submission of cases for review, as detailed below. The CWGC is under no obligation to make changes based on a report.

Procedure:	Guideline Criteria for Submission:
All new identification cases need to be assessed in the first instance by the Canadian Agency (CA) and submissions should go to their office directly. After an initial assessment, if the Agency feels that the case is compelling, they will then pass all the documentation to the Commemorations Team at the Commission's Head Office. Head Office will then review the case and inform the CA of their findings. The Canadian authorities will then decide whether or not any changes to the arrangements for commemoration are required and inform the Commission accordingly.	Cases need to present clear and convincing evidence to prove the identity of a casualty and must not be based on assumption or speculation. The Commission's Commemoration Team will also consider whether the findings of a better informed contemporary investigation are being revisited and if there is any new evidence to consider. By way of example, it is unlikely that the Commission would support a revision of the arrangements for the commemoration where it is apparent that no new evidence is being presented and, a better informed previous decision is being revisited some 100 years later.

The following have participated in the preparation, review and submission of this report on a voluntary basis. Those noted below have read the investigative report and compared it to the criteria set out by the CWGC, as a guiding principle, and have agreed to have their name included as part of the review team. The CWGC may contact any of the reviewers at the e-mail address provided below.

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